

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 16

January 27, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD) to notify the House Health and Human Resources Committee and the Senate General Welfare, Health and Human Resources Committee within 30 days after implementing any change to a rule, regulation, policy, or guideline relating to staffing, physical plants, or operating procedures of licensees. Extends the deadline, from 60 to 75 days after implementing the change, by which the Department must transmit the estimated fiscal impact to the Comptroller and the Senate and House Finance, Ways and Means Committees for review when exigent circumstances prevent the mandatory 30-day prior notice. Requires the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities to assist in determining the fiscal and program impact when requested by the Commissioner of DIDD.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Under current law, DIDD is required to calculate the fiscal impact of any rule, regulation, policy, or guideline change related to staffing or operational procedures and to provide this information to the House and Senate Finance, Ways and Means Committees and the Comptroller 30 days prior to the change. Providing this information to additional legislative committees will not have a significant fiscal impact.
- Extending the notification deadline by 15 days during exigent circumstances will not change the procedures or staffing necessary to prepare the report. Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Any assistance requested of the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities will not be significant and can be accommodated during regularly scheduled meetings and with current staff without resulting in a significant impact to expenditures.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-11-216, the Board is required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2010, the Board had a balance of \$392,654.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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